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1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.

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2. SUMMARY: PREMIER LI PENG SHOWN WITH QIAO SHI
AND YAO YILIN SAID JUNE 19 THE CRACKDOWN WILL
CONTINUE BECAUSE THERE ARE STILL MANY WHO HAVE NOT
BEEN "BROUGHT TO JUSTICE...AND MUST NOT ESCAPE
PUNISHMENT." THE OFFICIAL PRESS ISSUED JUNE 20 A

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VERY CRITICAL COMMENTARY AGAINST THE U.S. FOR INTERFERING IN CHINESE AFFAIRS AND SEVERELY WARNED THE U.S. TO CONSIDER THE RESULTS OF ITS "MISTAKEN BEHAVIOR". THE OFFICIAL PRESS ALSO CRITICIZED U.S. PRESS COVERAGE OF EVENTS AND SAID THAT THERE ARE LIMITS TO THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS. WESTERN JOURNALISTS FROM CANADA, ABC, NBC AND CBS HAVE BEEN HARASSED BY THE SECURITY BUREAU, WITH A NUMBER OF JOURNALISTS BEING TEMPORARILY DETAINED AND THEIR PASSPORTS CONFISCATED. WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW EXIT PERMIT REGULATION, THERE WERE ONLY FOUR VISA APPLICANTS AT THE EMBASSY ON JUNE 20. IT APPEARS THAT AT LEAST FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER OF EXIT PERMITS WILL RESULT IN SHORT LINES AT THE VISA WINDOW. THE JAPANESE EMBASSY REPORTS THAT 600-700 OF THEIR NATIONALS, MOSTLY BUSINESS PEOPLE, ARE IN BEIJING. THIS IS AN INCREASE FROM 200 JUST AFTER THE EVACUATION. []

[] THAT THE PAKISTAN FOREIGN SECRETARY, THE HIGHEST RANKING-FOREIGN VISITOR SINCE JUNE 4, IS IN BEIJING FOR CONSULTATIONS. EMBASSY CONTACTS HAVE BECOME SCARCE AS PEOPLE ARE AFRAID OR UNABLE TO MEET WITH US. THERE ARE MANY CONTACTS THE EMBASSY WILL NOT CALL TO
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AVOID CAUSING THEM POTENTIAL PROBLEMS. A ZHEJIANG STUDENT, ZHANG WEIPING, WAS ARRESTED FOR ALLEGEDLY SPREADING RUMORS TO A VOA REPORTER.
END SUMMARY.

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PREMIER LI COMMENTS CRACKDOWN FAR FROM OVER

3. THERE WAS PROMINENT PRINT AND MEDIA COVERAGE OF PREMIER LI PENG AND POLITICAL BUREAU STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS QIAO SHI AND YAO YILIN MEETING ON JUNE 19 AT THE ZHONGNANHAI WITH THE FAMILIES OF THREE OF THE SOLDIERS KILLED JUNE 4. PREMIER LI SAID "THE PARTY AND GOVERNMENT EXERCISED AN ATTITUDE OF RESTRAINT TOWARDS THE VIOLENCE. NO ONE IN THE WORLD WOULD HAVE DONE LIKEWISE." THE PREMIER ADDED THAT "THERE ARE STILL MANY RIOTERS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ARRESTED AND BROUGHT TO JUSTICE...AND WE CAN IN NO WAY LEAVE THEM UNPUNISHED AND LET THEM STAGE A COMEBACK." HE ADDED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL MAKE A DISTINCTION BETWEEN RIOTERS AND THOSE WHO "WERE SWEEPED IN DURING THE STUDENTS' MOVEMENT." THE PREMIER DID NOT ELABORATE, NOR EXPLAIN IF A DISTINCTION WOULD BE MADE IN PUNISHMENT.

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HARD-HITTING ATTACK ON WASHINGTON BY CHINESE PRESS

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4. IN A CRITICAL, HARD-HITTING COMMENTARY AGAINST THE U.S., THE JUNE 20 PEOPLE'S DAILY CARRIED AN ARTICLE ENTITLED "CLAMOR IN WASHINGTON SHOULD END." (FULL TRANSLATION OF TEXT CABLED SEPTTEL.) THE ARTICLE CHARGED THAT "SOME U.S. CONGRESSMEN AND GENTLEMEN IN THE WHITE HOUSE ASSUME THE AIRS OF THE SAVIOR OF HUMAN RIGHTS, AND MAKE UNWARRANTED CHARGES

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ABOUT THE EVENTS THAT HAPPENED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF CHINA." THE ARTICLE SAID U.S. AUTHORITIES SHOULD REMEMBER THEIR OWN HISTORY WHEN IT SUPPRESSED BLACK DEMONSTRATIONS "OPPOSING RACIAL DISCRIMINATION" IN THE 60'S, AND THAT WHEN MARTIN LUTHER KING WAS KILLED THE U.S. SENT IN THE ARMY AND 82ND AIRBORNE "IN ORDER TO SUPPRESS THE BLACK PEOPLE WHO PARTICIPATED IN PROTESTS" AND THEREBY "CREATED A BLOODY EVENT UNPRECEDENTED IN AMERICAN HISTORY AFTER WW II". THE COMMENTARY ALSO STATED THAT U.S. AUTHORITIES SENT THE ARMY TO DEAL WITH THE "ANTI-VIETNAM WAR PROTESTS." THE ARTICLE WARNS U.S. AUTHORITIES AGAINST INTERFERING IN CHINA'S SOVEREIGNTY AND THAT WASHINGTON "HAD BETTER CONSIDER THE RESULTS OF SUCH MISTAKEN BEHAVIOR."

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U.S. PRESS ATTACKED

5. JUNE 19 TELEVISION NEWS CONTINUED THE GOVERNMENT'S ATTACK ON WESTERN AND SPECIFICALLY THE U.S. PRESS. THE NEWS REPORT SAID "FREEDOM OF THE PRESS" HAS ITS LIMITS. THE U.S., A "FREE AND DEMOCRATIC" NATION, WOULD NOT PERMIT ITS PRESS TO "STIR UP PUBLIC OPINION TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT." THEREFORE, THE REPORT SAID, THE U.S. SHOULD NOT INTERFERE IN CHINA'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS THROUGH COVERAGE OF A COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY REBELLION CALLING FOR THE OVERTHROW OF THE GOVERNMENT.

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HARASSMENT OF WESTERN JOURNALISTS INTENSIFIES

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6. WESTERN JOURNALISTS CONTINUE TO ENCOUNTER HARASSMENT. ON JUNE 18 A JAPANESE CITIZEN WORKING FOR NBC WAS TEMPORARILY DETAINED AND HIS PASSPORT CONFISCATED. FOUR AMCITS WORKING FOR ABC WERE ALSO TEMPORARILY DETAINED THE SAME DAY AND HAD THEIR PASSPORTS CONFISCATED. ALL WERE CHARGED BY THE SECURITY BUREAU WITH VIOLATING MARTIAL LAW REGULATIONS. ABC ALSO REPORTED THAT THE SECURITY BUREAU TOOK THREE OF THEIR VIDEO CAMERAS. THE CANADIAN EMBASSY INFORMED US THAT A CANADIAN JOURNALIST WAS HARASSED AS SHE RETURNED TO HER APARTMENT ON THE EVENING OF JUNE 19. SHE WAS VERBALLY ABUSED AND SHOVED BY THREE MALES, WHO APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN FROM THE SECURITY BUREAU. ON JUNE 20, ONE AMCIT AND TWO PHILIPPINE CITIZENS WORKING FOR CBS WERE TEMPORARILY DETAINED AND THEIR PASSPORTS TAKEN. THEY TOO WERE CHARGED BY THE SECURITY BUREAU WITH VIOLATING MARTIAL LAW REGULATIONS. MANY OF THESE JOURNALISTS ARE IN CHINA ON TOURIST RATHER THAN JOURNALIST VISAS.

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ONLY FOUR VISA APPLICANTS AT EMBASSY AS NEW EXIT REGULATIONS GO INTO EFFECT

7. THE NEW EXIT PERMIT REGULATIONS WENT INTO EFFECT JUNE 20 REQUIRING CHINESE NATIONALS WISHING TO TRAVEL OVERSEAS TO OBTAIN NEW EXIT PERMITS. THERE WAS CONFUSION AS TO THE EXACT REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEW REGULATIONS. SOME 200-300 VISA APPLICANTS LINED UP BEFORE THE U.S. EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION OVERNIGHT. BUT AS THE CONSULAR SECTION OPENED FOR BUSINESS JUNE 20, THE PEOPLE'S ARMED POLICE WOULD NOT PERMIT ANYONE

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ENTRY WITHOUT THE NEWLY INSTITUTED BLUE EXIT STAMP.
OF THE FOUR APPLICANTS PERMITTED ENTRY BY THE CHINESE
POLICE, ONE WAS FROM SINGAPORE, A SECOND WAS ON AN
OFFICIAL PASSPORT AND THE REMAINING TWO WERE THE ONLY
APPLICANTS WITH THE NEW EXIT STAMP. THE PUBLIC
SECURITY BUREAU INFORMED US THAT FOR THE FIRST TEN
DAYS FOLLOWING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW REGULATION,
ONLY THOSE WITH A PREVIOUSLY ISSUED VISA WHO ARE
INTENDING TO RETURN ABROAD WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN THE
NEW EXIT PERMITS. PEOPLE TRAVELLING OVERSEAS FOR THE
FIRST TIME WILL BE CONSIDERED THEREAFTER. VISA

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APPLICANTS HAVE ALSO BEEN STOPPED AT THE BRITISH, CANADIAN AND AUSTRALIAN EMBASSIES.

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8. IN GUANGZHOU THERE ARE NO PAP GUARDS AND OUR CONSULATE HAS RECEIVED LARGE NUMBERS OF VISA APPLICATIONS. IN SHANGHAI OUR CONSULATE PROCESSED 197 APPLICATIONS BECAUSE THE PAP GUARDS THERE WERE NOT INSTRUCTED TO CHECK FOR THE NEW EXIT STAMP. TOMORROW THE SHANGHAI PAP GUARDS WILL BEGIN SCREENING PASSPORTS.

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JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN ARE RETURNING

9. THE JAPANESE POL/COUNS INFORMED US THAT 600-700 JAPANESE, ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY BUSINESS PEOPLE, ARE IN BEIJING. THIS IS UP FROM THE 200 JAPANESE NATIONALS WHO WERE IN BEIJING AFTER THE EVACUATION LAST WEEK. BEFORE THE EVACUATION THERE WERE OVER 5,000 JAPANESE BUSINESS PEOPLE, STUDENTS, AND OTHER RESIDENTS IN BEIJING. THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT IS STILL ADVISING

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ITS NATIONALS AGAINST RETURNING TO BEIJING. THE JAPANESE EMBASSY NEVER EVACUATED DEPENDENTS FROM ITS CONSULATES AND THEY WILL MAKE AN EVALUATION LATER WHEN IT WILL BE SAFE TO ALLOW THE RETURN OF EMBASSY EMPLOYEE DEPENDENTS.

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PAKISTAN FOREIGN SECRETARY VISITS CHINA

10. [REDACTED] THAT THE PAKISTAN FOREIGN SECRETARY ARRIVED IN BEIJING JUNE 19 FOR A PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED MEETING WITH CHINESE OFFICIALS. HE WILL BE HERE UNTIL JUNE 25. DISCUSSIONS WILL REPORTEDLY CENTER ON AFGHANISTAN. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOTED THAT THE PAKISTAN FOREIGN SECRETARY IS THE HIGHEST LEVEL FOREIGN OFFICIAL TO VISIT CHINA SINCE THE EVENTS OF JUNE 3-4.

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EMBASSY CONTACTS SCARCE

11. EXCEPT FOR OUR AGRICULTURAL SECTION, EMBASSY PERSONNEL ARE FINDING THEIR CONTACTS WILL NOT MEET WITH THEM. IN MANY CASES, EMBASSY OFFICIALS ARE HESITANT TO CALL REGULAR CONTACTS TO AVOID CAUSING THEM PROBLEMS. [REDACTED] WAS NOTICABLY NERVOUS WHEN AN EMBASSY OFFICIAL CALLED TO INVITE HIM TO LUNCH AND A [REDACTED] TOLD A/DCM "THESE DAYS, IT IS INCONVENIENT TO MEET." WE ARE CANVASING OUR OTHER DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES TO DETERMINE IF THEY ARE ENCOUNTERING SIMILAR

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DIFFICULTIES. THE CONSULATES APPEAR NOT TO BE FACING
THE CONTACT PROBLEMS THE EMBASSY IS ENCOUNTERING IN
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ARREST OF PERSON FOR TALKING WITH VOA

12. THE JUNE 19 EVENING NEWS AND JUNE 20 NOON NEWS
REPORTED THE ARREST OF ZHANG WEIPING, FROM ZHEJIANG
PROVINCE, WHO WAS CHARGED WITH TALKING WITH A VOA
REPORTER AND SPREADING RUMORS THAT THE ZHEJIANG
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING WAS FLYING THE FLAG AT
HALF MAST IN HONOR OF THE STUDENTS KILLED IN
BEIJING. THE REPORT SAID ZHEJIANG STUDENTS MADE A
FAILED ATTEMPT TO LOWER THE FLAG.
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